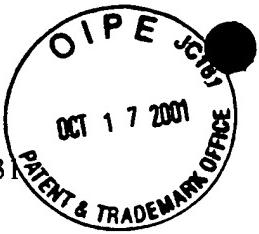


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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Patent Application of )  
Yoshikazu KUROSE )  
Serial No. 09/283,231 ) Group Art Unit: 2671  
Filed: April 1, 1999 ) Examiner: M. PADMANABHAN  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS )  
AND METHOD OF THE SAME )

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are an Amendment and a Letter to the Official Draftsperson for the above-identified application.

The fee for the claims as amended has been calculated as shown in the following table:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADD'L FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	40	MINUS	40	0	x \$9 (small) x \$18 (large)	0
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**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON**

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Sir:

Applicant seeks approval to amend Figs. 1, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 11 of the drawings, as shown in red ink on the attached sheets, to make the following changes and corrections:

in Fig. 1, change reference numerals 26, 411 and 413 into reference numerals 6, 11 and 13, respectively, and correct the spelling of "PROCESSOR" in element 4;

in Fig. 4, change reference numerals S250<sub>1</sub> and 226 into reference numerals S225 and 223, respectively, and add reference numeral 224 to the "FLAG FLIP FLOP" element in the right-hand box;

in Fig. 5, change reference numerals 26 and 401 into reference numerals 6 and 451, respectively;

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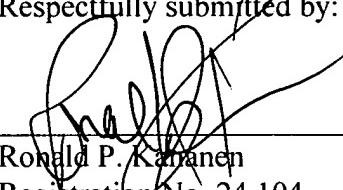
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in Fig. 7, change reference numeral 26 into reference numeral 6;

in Fig. 8, change “[s/g]” into --[s/q]--, change “[t/g]” into --[t/q]--, and  
change reference numerals 212<sub>g</sub> and 213<sub>g</sub> into reference numerals 513<sub>g</sub> and 514<sub>g</sub>,  
respectively; and

in Fig. 11, correct the spelling of “OPERATION” (lowermost occurrence).

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